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SUBJECT: SPECIAL SELF HELP FUNDS FOR SEYCHELLES

REF A) VICTORIA 340 B) STATE 99734

1. EMBASSY REQUESTS ADDITIONAL U.S. DOLS 30,000 IN FY 78 FOR SPECIAL SELF HELP (SSH) PROGRAM IN SEYCHELLES TO PROVIDE FURTHER ASSISTANCE TO MINISTRY OF AFRICULTURE AND LAND USE IN ITS COMPREHENSIVE SCHEME TO CONSTRUCT FEEDER ROAD NETWORK SERVING RURAL SETTLEMENT AREAS ON PRINCIPAL ISLAND OF MAHE. IAA (8-662-01-0) OBLIGATING ENTIRE FY 78 ALLOTMENT SIGNED APRIL 21 (REFTEL A). PRESIDENT RENE, WHO PERSONALLY SIGNED IAA FOR PORTION OF NETWORK HAS EXPRESSED WARM APPRECIATION FOR FY 77-78 SSH ASSISTANCE WHICH IS FULLY SUPPORTIVE OF GOS DEVELOPMENTAL PRIORITIES OF IMPROVING STANDARD OF LIVING AND EXPANDING ESSENTIAL SERVICES TO RURAL POOR. GOVERNMENTAL AND COMMUNITY REACTION TO SSH PROGRAM IN SEYCHELLES OVER PAST TWO YEARS HAS BEEN EXTREMELY POSITIVE AND MEDIA HAS ACCORDED OUR PROJECTS EXTENSIVE AND CONTINUING COVERAGE.

2. UNDERSTAND THAT AMBASSADOR LE MELLE DISCUSSED POSSIBLE EXPANSION OF EXISTING SSH PROGRAM DURING RECENT WASHINGTON CONSULTATIONS WITH ENCOURAGING RESULTS. IF FALLOUT FUNDS UNCLASSIFIED

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BECOME AVAILABLE (REFTEL B) OR ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE OTHERWISE AVAILABLE, REQUEST VICTORIA BE GIVEN PRIORITY ATTENTION IN THEIR ALLOCATION.MATTSON

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